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In re application of:)
Loeb et al.)

Serial No.: 09/972,834)

Filed: October 4, 2001)

For: THERMOSTABLE POLYMERASES)
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AND METHODS OF IDENTIFYING)
IDENTIFYING AND USING SAME)

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Responsive to the Notice mailed February 4, 2002,
attached herewith are statements from each of the inventors
regarding the Department of Energy. A copy of the Notice mailed
February 4, 2002, is enclosed, and a response to the Notice is
due within 45 days. Accordingly, the response to the Notice is
due March 21, 2002, and is being timely filed.

A statement from each of the inventors, Dr. Lawrence A.
Loeb, Dr. Leroy E. Hood, and Dr. Motoshi Suzuki is attached
herewith. The statements indicate that the inventors made and
conceived the invention while employed at the University of
Washington. The statements also indicate that the invention was
not made or conceived in the course of, in connection with, or
under terms of any contract with the Department of Energy.

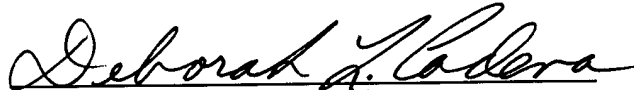
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Applicants believe that the attached statements satisfy the requirements set forth in the Notice. If there are any questions, please call the undersigned agent or Cathryn Campbell.

Respectfully submitted,

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